

Kidney Histology Coding Rules – Matrix C649

(Excludes lymphoma and leukemia M9590 – 9989 and Kaposi sarcoma M9140)

Rule	Pathology/Cytology Specimen	Histology	Behavior	Notes and Examples	Code
SINGLE TUMOR					
H1	None or the pathology report is not available			<p>1: Priority for using documents to code the histology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documentation in the medical record that refers to pathologic or cytologic findings • Physician's reference to type of cancer (histology) in the medical record • CT or MRI scans <p>2: Code the specific histology when documented.</p> <p>3: Code the histology to 8000 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS) or 8010 (carcinoma, NOS) as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented</p>	The histology documented by the physician
H2	None from primary site			Code the behavior /3	The histology from metastatic site
H3		One type			The histology
H4			Invasive and in situ		The invasive histologic type
H5		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS (8000) and a more specific histology or • Carcinoma, NOS (8010) and a more specific carcinoma or Adenocarcinoma, NOS (8041) and one specific adenocarcinoma type or • Renal cell carcinoma (8312) and one specific renal cell type. 		<p>1: Use Table 1 to identify specific renal cell types.</p> <p>2: The specific histology for in situ tumors may be identified as pattern, architecture, type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major, or with ____ differentiation</p> <p>3: The specific histology for invasive tumors may be identified as type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major, or with ____ differentiation.</p>	The specific type

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H6		Two or more specific types of renal cell carcinoma.		Use Table 1 to identify specific renal cell types <i>Example:</i> Renal cell carcinoma, papillary and clear cell types. Assign code 8255.	8255 (Adenocarcinoma with mixed subtypes)
H7	None of the above conditions are met				The histology with the numerically higher ICD-O-3 code
MULTIPLE TUMORS ABSTRACTED AS A SINGLE PRIMARY					
H8	No pathology/cytology specimen or the pathology/cytology report is not available			1: Priority for using documents to code the histology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documentation in the medical record that refers to pathologic or cytologic findings • Physician’s reference to type of cancer (histology) in the medical record • CT or MRI scans 2: Code the specific histology when documented 3: Code the histology to 8000 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS) or 8010 (carcinoma, NOS) as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented	The histology documented by the physician
H9	None from primary site			Code the behavior /3	The histology from a metastatic site
H10		One type			The histology

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H11				<p><i>1:</i> This rule should only be used when the first three digits of the histology codes are identical (This is a single primary).</p> <p><i>2:</i> See the Kidney Equivalent Terms, Definitions, Tables and Illustrations for the definition of most invasive.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One tumor is in situ and one is invasive, code the histology from the invasive tumor • Both/all histologies are invasive, code the histology of the most invasive tumor. 	The histology of the most invasive tumor
H12		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS (8000) and a more specific histology or • Carcinoma, NOS (8010) and a more specific carcinoma or • Adenocarcinoma, NOS (8140) and one specific adenocarcinoma type or • Renal cell carcinoma (8312) and one specific renal cell type 		<p><i>1:</i> Use Table 1 to identify specific renal cell types.</p> <p><i>2:</i> The specific histology for in situ tumors may be identified as pattern, architecture, type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major, or with ____differentiation</p> <p><i>3:</i> The specific histology for invasive tumors may be identified as type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major, or with ____differentiation.</p>	The specific type
H13	None of the above conditions are met				The histology with the numerically higher ICD-O-3 code